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ACCESSORY FOR A VIDEO GAME MACHINE

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**COMMENTS REGARDING STATEMENT OF
REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Applicants traverse the reasons for allowance to the extent these reasons are construed to suggest that the claim limitations emphasized therein are the only claim limitations missing from the prior art of record. In addition, to the extent the Examiner's reasons for allowance are (or are construed to be) inconsistent with, add or omit claim limitations, Applicants state that it is the claims that define the invention.

Respectfully submitted,

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